KAISER'S FRIENDS DEFENDING HIM

Insist Germans Sought Peace but Were Driven to War by Russia and England.

The Chicago Daily News prints the following cable dispatch from its Londen correspondent, Edward P. Bell:

Lenden, Aug 6. Is Kaiser Willielm a Maachiavellian monarch or was he forced into war by hard necessity? Did he treacherously plan for 26 years to break the peace of Europe with a view to German aggrandigement and personal glory, or has he been compelled to take up arms to save the father land! In his present widespread offensive compaign for the sole purpose of shattering what he terms the "iron ring" of his neighbors, or is it an effort to realize a magnified Napoleonism?

These questions are the subject of debate in the highest political circles of England and differences of opinion concerning them have sundered the British cabinet.

Friends of the kalser and those who trust him still believe that it was the Russian czar and not the German emperer who plunged Europe into war. Up to the last they held that the kaiser was striving for peace and that Russ's was mobilizing with what Willism must regard as a determination

people, but his efforts met with small specess. Even his sympathetic acts and words when Queen Victoria died = and again when King Edward VII died U. S. MERCHANT MARINE awakened only respectful courtesy. and within a few weeks of these visits one heard again the old expressions

ous fallure of armaments to keep the five-year ago limit of steamships. peice. Prince Kropotkin, the famous | The transfer of these ships will add said to me today:

which they were constructed."

Others discuss the sinister power of International alliances and ententes. It is pointed out that England's chain of peace arrangements, begun by Eddowne and continued by Fremier Asquith and Sir Edward Grey, assisted by like arrangements between Germany and Austria-Hungary, dragged Transport, 10,000.

affinites of the new Balkan nations.

TOGO WILL LEAD JAP NAVY IF HIS COUNTRY. FIGHTS



Admiral Togo

In case Japan is drawn into the gento cross the German and Austrian fron-cral European war Admiral Togo will in all likelihood play a prominent part They point out that the kaiser visit- in the naval operations. He was the et London and did his best with extra- hero of the Russo-Japanese war, leadordinary patience to win the confidence of the governing classes and the liant victory over the Russian squad-

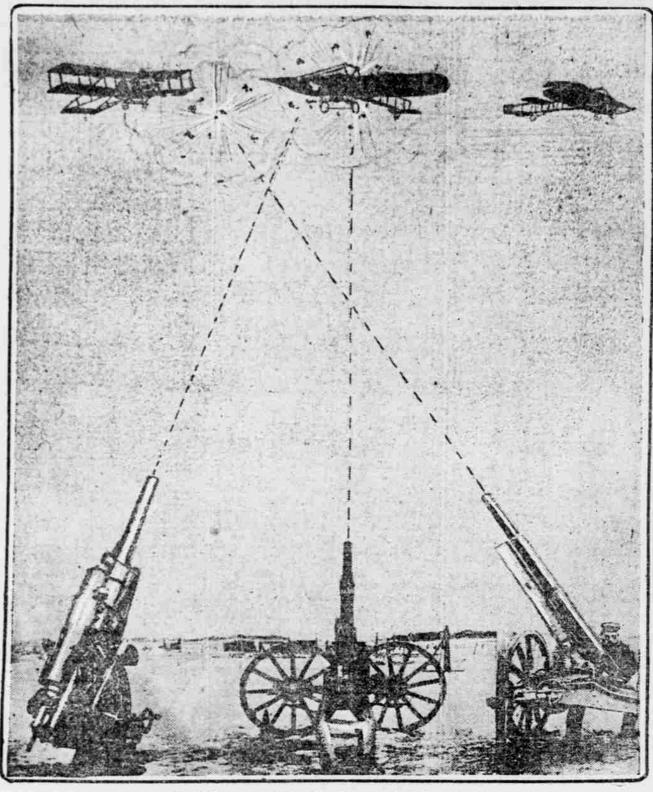
TO GAIN 14 STEAMSHIPS

New York, Aug. 8 .- Fourteen steamers belonging to the International Mer-At the Mansion house the kaiser cantile Marine company, it is expectspoke with eloquence and apparent ed in shipping circles, will be placed sincerity of the blessings of peace and under the American flag when conhis fixed purpose to maintain it, but gress has passed the amendment to the Panama Canal act repealing the European thinkers note the exgregi- six months' notice of change and the

Russian scientist and revolutionary, a tonnage of more than 150,000 to the American merchant marine, with a This war will be of service to the passenger-carrying capacity of 17,000. world, for it will destroy the supersti. The steamers that probably will be tion and crime of armaments. We see changed from the Belgian and British buge armics and navies, instead of flags next week when the amendment keeping the peace, do the work for becomes a law are the Lapland, Red Star, 18,694; Zeeland, Red Star, 11,-904; Vaterland, Red Star, 11,904; Arabminion, 8,500; Manitou, Atlantic prove as great a factor as was pre- in the direction of the main fortress purpose with deadly certainty is committee, where such legislation Transport, 10,000; Menominee, Atlant- European war. ic Transport, 10,000; Mecaba, Atlantic The aeroplane and the dirigible "In full view of King Albert, who seem to be equally effective.

This is expected to be a war of rev- Star, Red Star, American, Dominion, from a safe distance. But the terri- man officers was shattered by Bel- they may carry guns and bombs, country through reduced imports for stations. It will reveal the quality of Atlantic Transport and Leyland lines, ble swiftness with which these vul- gian aerial guns. All the occupants they are absolutely without protection of the control of the contr the German and French armies, of the are controlled by the international nerable craft may be wiped out is were killed." British fleet, of Russia's morale and Mercantile Marine company, organ- limiting their sphere of usefulness, "A Russian aeroplane which flew craft is so fragile that attack with \$1,000,000,000. Mr. Underwood says military power, of the stability or oth- ized in 1902 by J. P. Morgan, with a at least in offensive work. erwise of Austria-Hungary and the capital of \$120,000,000. The majority Here are quotations from recent trian province, was brought down by doom. owned in this country and it will show whether small nation. Therefore, it was said, there would be "A Zeppelin laden with explosive pants killed." alities, like the Scandinavian king- no difficulty in regard to the transfer shells was sent across the plateau to "A German aeroplane attempting and both are destroyed. The net re- Panama canal bonds, aggregating to the colors. When the present mobdoms, Holland and Switzerland, can to American registry, which requires attack the Herve forts, but it flew to fly over the Belgian position be sult on either side, so far as any ador cannot escape from the vortex of a that the steamships shall be owned in too low, and Belgian gunners, get fore Liege was brought down by vantage is concerned, is rather probthis country.

: -: Guns Find Aircraft Easily Vulnerable : -:



Rapid-fire guns designed to destroy rival air craft.

that ventures within firing range of mediately after the Zeppelin was time been building rapid-fire guns the commissioner of internal revenue. are reselling wheat, 1,500,000 bushels ic. White Star, 13,370; Teutonic, White Star, 10,000; Haverford, American, 11, a hostile force will be promptly wrecked as aeroplane rose from the ing air craft, and some of these guns 635; Herion, American, 11,621; Do. brought to earth is raising consider- German position and attempted a are shown in the illustration above, new revenue tax, Chairman Underminion, Dominion, 7,008; Canada, Do- able doubt as to whether airships will flight over the Herve fortifications That they are accomplishing their wood of the house ways and means Transport, 10,000; Marquette, Atlantic dicted during the early stages of the at Liege. It also was wrecked by shown by the extracts quoted here-

news dispatches:

ting the range, were able to destroy rifle fire."

the aero gun from the Herve fort."

balloon are proving useful in scout was in conference with his staff, a Military aviators are almost as The subsidiary companies. White ing and in making observations German aeroplane carrying six Ger- easy prey as large birds. While the European war will be felt by this

machine-gun fire and its three occu-

The certainty that any war air craft | it, with all of its crew. Almost im- | Ordinance-makers have for some

tion from an enemy's fire, and their citizens of this country will be nearly

lematical.

SERVIAN GIRL IS COLLECTING WAR FUND IN 'FRISCO



Anna Jancovich.

Servian women in the united States are responding to their country' need during the present crisis with the same soon as the money can be safely scat. securities for approval. The picture shows Anna Jancovich, who is in charge of the work in San Franciscoo, listing donations.

REVENUE TAX IS PLANNED

expert fixes this loss not to exceed tion appears to be straightening out. run that long.

be most popular with the congressmen association has been organized. at the present time. This could be ! levied through a stamp tax on checks, terminal grain warehouses and storcontracts and legal documents, as was age places are rapidly filling up. done during the Spanish-Arterican! There is a disposition to discourage war, and a comparatively small tax farmers from shipping their grain at would reimburse the government for this time. In the meanwhile bankers' its losses through the falling off of are preparing to care for the farmers'

It would cost little additional to their grain. collect this tax, because the machinery for this purpose is organized under

discussion of the necessity for some yesterday at 3 to 3% cents under Sepmust originate, has made no move with. Machine-gun and rifle fire in the matter. The committee has not considered any proposition.

Mr. Underwood is of the opinion that ing the war tax because of the treas- end. in ury condition. Mr. Underwood is op- "Practically the whole population aerial combat they ram each other posed to the immediate sale of the capable of bearing arms is now called the income tax.

BANK CONDITIONS II NORMAL MONDAY

Chicago Financiers Declare the. Middlewest Will Have Ample Currency by That Time.

Chicago, Ill, Aug. 8,-Chicago bankers declared that indications were that by Monday the banking situation.

would be back to normal. This does not mean that the banks, will pay out lavishly the money avail-, able for their reserves, but bankers say it does mean that business will be: provided with an ample volume of circulating medium to care for all transactions not usually carried on through, the use of checks.

The last of the city's \$54,000,000 aklotment of emergency currency issued by the government under the Aldrich-Vreeland act arrived from Washington and was deposited in the vaults,

of the subtreasury. · Irving Shuman, subtreasurer, at, once began preparations for distributing the currency among the banks, and it is expected that much of the money will be ready for use today.

Mr. Shuman attended Thursday's meeting of the clearing-house commitenthusiasm which marked their efforts tee of the Chicago Clearing-House asduring the late Balkan war. In San sociation. Various ballacted during the late Balkan war. In San sociation. sociation. Various banks that are enrund which is to be sent to Servia as rency were notified to present their

"We have received enough of the emergency currency to meet all requirements of the banks," Mr. Shuman said. "Conditions in Chicago are smooth and business transactions will not suffer."

Local banks resumed currency ship-TO MEET RESULT OF WAR ments to the interior Thursday to care Washington, Aug. 8.—Congressional for crop requirements. These herf leaders are favoring new revenue leg- been interfered with by war deevlopislation to bring into the treasury ments. While these shipments are befunds to meet the losses in customs ing restricted to actual needs, pending duties on imports caused by the Euro- the delay in getting the emergency pean war. An estimate by a treasury currency into circulation, the situa-

\$100,000,000 a year, should the war | The currency demand from the interior is heavy, especially from those An additional internal tax seems to sections where no national currency

Crop requirements are large and the

requirements while they are holding As the export situation at the sea-

board has not improved, export houses While there has been considerable being resold to Chicago cash houses tember. In the face of this selling prices for

futures advanced 4 cents on speculative buying, due to the war fever taking hold of the trade.

RUSSIA CALLS 6,000,000 TO WAGE BITTER WAR

London, Aug. 8 .- A St. Petersburg

dispatch to the Times says: "Ukases published show that Russia" over Lemberg, capital of that Aus- any kind of marksmanship means there is no reason for hurry in pass- is determined to fight to the bitters

under arms.

Tolstoi's Dire Prophecy in His Last Message to the Czar

TOI. flattered, I arrived at the appointed and preachings, as you know, hour at the railway station that served

changed items o' court gossip. She himself." then remarked confidentially that the a demand. His majesty was playing without delay." these with his daughters and their him to tell me what he wanted.

Mission From the Czar.

"Countess," began the exar, in a peculiar, confidential mission for you. I left. But I call upon you reluctantly."

He became suddenly silent and looked at me as if doubting my readitess to serve him. I bowed politely, murmuring:

"Your majesty, I shall be only too happy to hear about it."

"Well," he drawled, "the German kaiser and the king of England have put me in an unpleasant position with their requests. They are curious to

This Week Is Wakefield's Blackberry Bal-

bowel troubles WAKEFIELD'S
BLACKERRY BALSAM has been the
one harmiess and perfectly reliable
cure for Diarrhees. Dynantery, Cholera Infantim set. for 69 years, and
at this seeson of the year no home
is safe without it. Get your supply
this week. Die per bottle, three bottles, \$1.00.

In the autumn of 1910 the czarina in- a very strange note-and naturally I account for this mysterious affair." vited me to visit her at the summer could not decline to humor them. I palace at Peterhof to have an infor- did not know how to go about the delimal talk with her family. This was a cate matter, as, frankly, I do not care very unusual favor, and, feeling much for much of the old man's writings clear that I could draw a of bigotry and hypocrisy. It lights the and bleeding. I hear the lamentations of the tedious stuff of the obvious,

relary told me that the imperial fam- obliged if you could take the old man anything during the time of the mani-By was on the veranda drinking tea, an oral message from me that if he festation. My hands are absolutely It was there that the czarina wished to sage through you to me, I would send "I shall be happy to write down the family then mark a new political era for the old an of their destiny is after all noth-Her majesty was still suffering from it on to the king of England and the what you dictate," I urged. her long nervous breakdown, and she Kaiser of Germany. It has to be "Very good! That settles the matlooked pale and weak. We talked for something that he has not published ter," he replied. "I shall try for somea short time about her health, and ex- before, and that he will never publish thing immediately. There on the table

"Your majesty, I am gratified at this whatever you want." exar had expressed a wish to see me, mark of your exceptional favor," I re- In a few minutes I was waiting for and of course such an expression was plied. "I shall pay the count a visit the great moment, pencil and paper in

minister of the court and I shall ar- comatose condition. range to see you immediately," said the czar, extending his hand to me. We talked for half an hour longer

Uncle Tells of Vision.

country estate of my granduncle, and universal character which must shortexplained to him briefly the object of ly come to pass. Their spiritual outand replied: 'Very strange. I would floating upon the surface of the sea a be glad to send a message to royalty; human fate the huge slihouette of a but the trouble with me is that I have nude woman. She is-with her beauty, written all my life messages for the poise, her smile, her jewels—a supermobs. I am not accustomed to the Venus. Nations rush madly after her,

I will think the mater over.' any visions of a political nature, or ornaments, of diamonds and rubies, is

tional scale?" I asked. have had some really strange experi- follow in her wake. Her breath, reekences which I could not publish as ing of sordid transactions, her voice of fiction. There is something which metallic character like gold, and her has haunted me for the last two years. look of greed are so much poison to I don't know how to explain the nature the nations who fall victims to her of it to you. I cannot call it a dream, charms. On other occasions it has appeared to the matter, as I do not me at twilight, before my dinner hour, versal corruption in her hands. The of the most beautiful princesses of three destructive flames. The antinaam not a believer in ghosts, nor in first torch represents the flame of war. Europe.

"Is it a vision?" I interrupted.

Could Call It Up at Will. "Something of that order, but very

distinct picture of all that transpired. lamps only in tem les and on the al- of huge battlefields. Furthermore, I can call up the vision tars of sacred institutions. It car- But about the year 1915 the strange shall outshine the light of the torch al document. The czar has told me "But then the ezarina told me that at will. I am almost sure I could do ries the seed of falsity and fanaticism figure from the north—a new Napole of commercialism. In place of polyg- repeatedly that the kaiser of Gerspecial coach took me directly to the she knows you very well, and that you it while you are here. The only diffipalace, where the chamberlain's sec- know him well-I would be greatly culty is that I am not able to write

are pencil and paper. Or use a pen-

hand. My aged host, leaning back in "And as soon as you have returned his chair, covered his eyes with his governess when the czarina invited with his message drop a line to the hands and relapsed into an apparently

Begins His Revelation.

For ten minutes he remained absosimple and direct way. "I have a very on various topics of the day, and then ing up like one in a trance, he began ing up like one in a trance, he began in a low and hollow voice:

This is a revelation of events of a

lines are now before my eyes. I see conventions of court diction. However, each of them eager to attract her especially. But she, like an eternal "Leo Nicolaevitch, don't you have courtesan, flirts with all. In her hair any prophecies on a large interna- engraved her name, "Commercialism." As alluring and bewitching as she "A good idea!" he exclaimed. "I seems, much destruction and agony

BY COUNTESS NASTASIA TOLS- get a direct message from our old the spiritualistic explanation of that the beautiful courtesan carries The great conflagration will start of America and the race wars in Asia seditious writings I do not like gen-

of guns and of muskets.

The third torch is that of the law, but in his grip most of Europe will poetic conceptions of life. that dangerous foundation of all un- remain until 1925. its fatal work in the family, then mark a new political era for the old an of their destiny is after all noth-

ONE OF EUROPE'S MOST BEAUTIFUL



Countess Zia Countess Zia Lorley, the daughter because I have seen it often white have been sitting at my writing table. And, behold, she has three gigan of Grand Duke Michael, brother to Only small spots here and there kniser and the king not to make any have been sitting at my writing table. The king not to make any or other occasions it has appeared to tic arms with three torches of unit because of the comments on the matter, as I do not

destruction and calamity in 1913. In ture and art rising from the ranks include the secret message in his pri-The second torch bears the flame that year I see all Europe in flames of the Latins and Persians, the world vate memoirs that I take this oppor-

Then a New Ethical Era.

After the year 1925 I see a change in religious sentiment. The second like the glow of evening upon the fire here, and who is said to have been of the courtesan has brought about the fall of the church. The ethical idea has almost vanished. Humanity is without moral feeling.

But then a great reformer arises. He will clear the world of the relics of monotheism and lay the corner stone of the temple of pantheism. God, soul, spirit and immortality will be molten in a new furnace, and I see the peaceful beginning of an ethical he listened gravely and nodded, say, leave at once. mission is a Mongolian Slav. He is quest he signed the document and already walking the earth—a man of ac handed it to me with a blessing. I left tive affairs. He himself does not now him the same day, and immediately realize the mission assigned to him upon by arrival informed the czar by Superior Powers.

torch, which has already begun to informal way and led into the czar's destroy our family relations, our private study. I handed him the pap-standards of art and morals er. He opened it nervously and read The relation between woman and with pronounced agitation. man is accepted as a pro- "Well, it's very interesting," he sale partnership of the sexes. Art has said. "I will make a copy for myself, become realistic degeneracy.

of all nations.

Race Wars Strangle Progress

itional wars in Europe, the class war tween them and the old man whose

count, Leo Nicolaevitch Tolstoi, and - phenomena; but I admit that I cannot from city to city and country to country. Patriotism answers with flashes first arm in the countries of southeast- century. By them, in the middle of It is because I have heard that one of honest flame, but the end is a roar ern Europe. It will develop into a this century, I sa a heroine of litera- of the royal principals is going to

tic training, a writer or journalist, the sexes based fundamentally on the age.

And I see the nations growing larg- ALL GERMAN CONSULS a federation of the United States of for armies, hypocritical religions and minion order in council has been re-Nations. There will remain only four deg nerate art. Life is evolution, and cefved closing all German consuls in great glants-the Anglo-Saxon, the evolution is development from the sim- Canada and giving German consular Latins, the Slavs and the Mongoli ple to the more complicated forms officials 48 hours in which to leave the of the mind and body.

I see the passing show of the world | Consul Von Etlinger, who has been mountains. One motion of the hand of born in England, produced American gins.

opened his eyes and looked at me. slightly confused. "Had I gone to sleep?" he asked

me. "I beg your parcon." Signed by Tolstoi.

The man determined to this ing that it was correct. Upon my re-

And, behold the flame of the third I was received at the court in an

and forward the other copies, with Political and religious disturbances translations, to the kaiser of Germany have shaken the spiritual foundation and through him to the king of Engband. The original shall be kept in my private archives. I shall ask the

tunity of publishing the whole truth It is the light of symbolism that about it and how I received the unusu-

ORDERED FROM CANADA

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 8 .- A Docountry.

drama in its present form, how it fades in charge of the German consular ofcommercialism and a new history be- naturalization papers. United States, Consul General Mansfield took charge The late author-reformer finished, of German interests in Vancouver.

Ottawa, Aug. 8.-Intimation has been given by the government to the German consuls in Canada that their presence in the Dominion is not desired and that they would be expelled When I read the vision-talk to him from the country should they not

> of Germany and not to Canadians who have been designated by Germany to act as consuls in some instances. Special rates on the ladies' and children's excursions on steamer Sidney

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-(Adv.)

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